

REMARKS

Claims 1-4 and 6-20 are pending in the present application. Claims 8-9, 16-17, and 20 are withdrawn. As suggested by the Examiner in the Restriction Requirement on page 2, Applicants have canceled claim 5, and added claim 21, which includes the features of original claim 5. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

I. 35 U.S.C. § 121

Species I: Claims 1-4, 6-7, 21; 10-15, and 18-19;

Species II: Claims 1, 8-9; 10, 16-17; 18, and 20.

In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicants elect Species I, claims 1-4, 6-7, 21; 10-15; and 18-19. However, Applicants respectfully traverse this restriction requirement.

Claim 5 is hereby canceled, and claims 8-9, 16-17, and 20 are withdrawn. It is respectfully urged that the subject application be reconsidered.

The Office Action states that the species are independent or distinct because they are mutually exclusive, but provides no specific explanation or example as to why these species are believed to be mutually exclusive.

Applicants believe the restriction requirement is improper and should be withdrawn.

II. Conclusion

The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number if in the opinion of the Examiner such a telephone conference would expedite or aid the prosecution and examination of this application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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